

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATLANTA DIVISION

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**IN RE ACCESS TO COURTROOM 1907  
AND USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES  
AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES ON  
THE 19<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR OF THE RICHARD  
B. RUSSELL FEDERAL BUILDING  
ON DECEMBER 20, 2023**

KEVIN P. WEIMER, Clerk  
By: *[Signature]* Deputy Clerk

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NO. 23-08**

**ORDER**

Following consultation with the United States Marshals Service and pursuant to Local Rule 83.4(B), NDGa. (concerning special orders for widely publicized cases), the Court hereby deems it proper and so **ORDERS** that all cellular phones and other electronic devices with cameras are prohibited on the **19<sup>th</sup> floor** of the Richard B. Russell Federal Building and United States Courthouse (the "Atlanta courthouse") on **December 20, 2023**. The following are excepted from this prohibition: The United States Marshal and his deputies and staff; the chambers staff and courtroom deputies of the Honorable Steve C. Jones, the Honorable Mark H. Cohen, the Honorable Michael L. Brown, and the Honorable J.P. Boulee; the Clerk of Court and his chief deputies; court reporters with offices or proceedings on the 19<sup>th</sup> floor; court interpreters with proceedings on the 19<sup>th</sup> floor; the Court's IT staff; the Court's facilities management staff; and anyone excepted in a separate order issued by a district judge whose chambers and courtroom are on the 19<sup>th</sup> floor.

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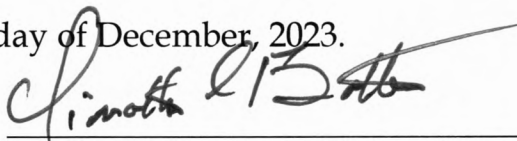
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Cell phones and electronic devices without cameras are allowed on the 19<sup>th</sup> floor consistent with Local Rule 83.4(A), NDGa. but must not be operated in any courtroom or public area where their operation is disruptive to a Court proceeding or Court operations.

In addition, access to courtroom 1907 on December 20, 2023, for members of the media and the public will be provided on a first come, first served basis. Members of the media and the public must follow the procedures posted on the Court's public website at [www.gand.uscourts.gov](http://www.gand.uscourts.gov) regarding access to courtroom 1907. Those procedures include a requirement to first assemble outside of the Strom Auditorium on the lower plaza level of the Atlanta courthouse. An overflow courtroom will be available.

It is further **ORDERED** that the penalty for knowing or willful violation of this Order includes punishment for contempt of court pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 401.

**IT IS SO ORDERED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy C. Batten, Sr.", is written over a horizontal line.

**HON. TIMOTHY C. BATTEN, SR.**  
**CHIEF U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE**

cc: All N.D. Ga. District, Bankruptcy, and Magistrate Judges  
United States Marshal  
United States Attorney  
Federal Public Defender  
Clerk of Court / District Court Executive  
Clerk, Bankruptcy Court  
Chief Probation Officer